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but this amendment does not do anything to work out those problems and so we will perpetrate the unfair situation and we can also point to the fact that it is being...it is in the Supreme Court, it is before the Supreme Court. I believe it was last Tuesday the oral arguments were heard and I sat in on part of that and it just seems to me that now, by rejecting the committee amendments and then if we adopt this amendment, we are in effect making permanent an unfair situation, not even willing to make it for one year only which is what the committee amendments did. So it is in worse shape now than it was originally. So I have to oppose Senator Withem's amendment and certainly oppose the bill.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Senator Lamb. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Question.

SENATOR LABEDZ: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I see five hands. All those in favor of calling the question vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay, Madam President, to cease debate.

SENATOR LABEDZ: The question has been called. Senator Withem, closing on the amendment to LB 182.

SENATOR WITHEM: Let me first of all apologize to Senator Dierks, Senator Lamb, Senator Johnson, others that were interested in this amendment, and to the body, for giving false, incorrect information. The thing I didn't realize until I visited with the people in the Rotunda, they are occasionally helpful to us, in this case, I'm very grateful that they were there. Again, Senator Dierks, Senator Lamb, Senator Johnson, this will take care of that particular problem. It does more than just give them more time to force reorganization. The actual calculation itself will take place after, as I understand it, after the districts have reorganized so you won't have the one remaining district sitting there picking up the burden for all of the rest because they will recalculate and they will not be paying the \$5 figure as I understand it at this point. I certainly apologize to the two of you for not understanding my own amendment better. This is an amendment that is needed if you want to make the bill effective for next year. If you're not interested in passing the bill, I suppose this would be a good way to defeat it if you're not interested in...if you're